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Dear Sir/Madam,

Your refund request for 10538813 in the amount of \$1,820.00 has been denied .

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The request for refund is DENIED.

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